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The endless torch race first began
Who knoweth where? Who knoweth when?
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The runners give from hand to hand,—
In lines of flame from land to land;
And still again, and yet again,
They follow straight the soul's command,—
Though but in part they understand,—
And still pass on the deathless brand
From man to man—and we are men!
WILLIAM ADAMS SLADE.

THE APRIL MEETING OF THE IOWA SECTION.

The Iowa Section of the Mathematical Association of America met for its fourth regular meeting April 26, 1919, in connection with the Iowa Academy of Science, at the Iowa State Teachers College, Cedar Falls, Iowa. There were present as members of the Association: L. M. Coffin, Coe College; I. S. Condit, Iowa State Teachers College; F. M. McGaw, Cornell College; J. F. Reilly, University of Iowa; H. L. Rietz, University of Iowa; Maria M. Roberts, Iowa State College; F. M. Weida, University of Iowa; and C. W. Wester, Iowa State Teachers College.

The following papers were read and discussed:

“The teaching of a first course in mathematics.” By Professor H. L. Rietz.

“A course in arithmetic.” By Professor I. S. Condit.

“Effect of delaying algebra until the tenth grade.” By Miss Lida Pittman, Fort Dodge (by invitation).

“An example of curve fitting.” By G. W. Snedecor, Ames (by invitation).

“Outlines of a course in trigonometry.” By Professor J. F. Reilly.

“Some analogies between algebraic equations and linear differential equations.” By Peter Luteyn, State Teachers College (by invitation).

The following were elected officers for the ensuing year: Chairman, I. S. CONDIT; Vice Chairman, F. M. MCGAW; Secretary-Treasurer, L. M. COFFIN.

C. W. WESTER, *Secretary-Treasurer*.